Notice of Exemption

To:

Office of Planning and Research CEQA Submit

From:

Department of Fish and Wildlife
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Project Title: TD 1711077 Lake Crowley Pole Replacement Project (Notification of Lake or Streambed Alteration, No. EPIMS-MOO-27811-R6)

Project Location (Mono County): The project is located at an unnamed tributary to Hilton Creek, which drains to Lake Crowley, in the County of Mono, State of California; Latitude 37.567165, Longitude -118.746402; U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) Toms Place Quadrangle; Assessor's Parcel Number 060-210-008-000.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement EPIMS Notification No. EPIMS-MOO-27811-R6, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to Southern California Edison Company.

The project is limited to removing and replacing two separate deteriorated poles (SCE 1787242E and SCE1787243E). The poles are adjacent to an unnamed tributary to Hilton Creek and access routes for construction will involve crossing through a wetland and over an existing culverted drainage. Some vegetation trimming and removal will also occur to access the poles.

Project activities, including work and staging areas, are anticipated to permanently impact 0.0002 acres (10 square feet) and temporarily impact 0.20 acres (8712 square feet) of resources subject to Fish and Game Code 1602.

Public Agency Approving Project: CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

Person or Public Agency Carrying Out Project: Southern California Edison Company

Exempt Status:
☐ Statutory Exemption.
☐ Categorical Exemption. Type – Class 1; California Code of Regulations, title 14, section 15301(b)
Reasons why project is exempt: The project involves replacement of two existing deteriorated poles to meet current standards. The work does not involve expansion of existing or former use.
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